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Services for the Blind & Visually
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40 Fountain Street
Providence, RI 02903

Visual Impairment: Past, Present & Future Perspectives



September 15, 2005
8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Radisson Airport Hotel
University Ballroom
Warwick, RI

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Program

8:30 Registration

8:45 Welcome

9:00 Advances in Ophthalmology and Low Vision Services

Representatives from the RI medical community and the New England College of Optometry will discuss leading causes of blindness over the past 75 years, current treatment procedures and options for addressing low vision.

10:30 Exhibits

11:00 Technology: Opening Doors to Freedom and Integration

Representatives from Perkins School for the Blind and Adaptive Technology Consulting will discuss changes in technology that have resulted in greater independence for people with disabilities.

Staff from TechACCESS and Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired will provide information about equipment options and training available to Rhode Islanders with visual disabilities.

12:30 75th Anniversary Luncheon SBVI History Presentations

2:00 Improving Quality of Life: Services, Partnerships, Advocacy

Representatives from SBVI, Dept. of Education, INSIGHT, Talking Books Plus, and the Carroll Center for the Blind will highlight changes in service delivery over the past 75 years and discuss current services available.

Visit exhibits and view live portrayals of life in the '30's, '60's, '90's, and 2020 for people with visual impairments.

Registration Form

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone: _____

Registration Fee: \$45.00 x _____ = \$_____ (total enclosed)

Checks & PO's should be made out to RI Rehabilitation Association and mailed to Susan Silva, ORS, 40 Fountain Street, Providence, RI 02903.

For information on the limited number of scholarships available, call Susan Silva at (401) 222-2300 x444. For other information, contact Susan Shapiro at (401) 222-2300 x421.

Accommodations Needed: _____

Registration Deadline: 9/7/05 (8/31/05 if accommodations are needed)